

We desire to instruct our population, and by this, to create a strong and enlightened public opinion which will eventually back up the efforts of those who are engaged in working in their interest. The fight against prostitution, the commercialized vice, is the accompanying action of an Antivenereal Campaign. It has been repeatedly proven that prostitution is the centre from which this pestilence of Venereal Diseases originates. — 90 per cent of all cases of syphilis in men have been contracted in houses of immorality.

We are happy to state, that in the City of Montreal, this fight has been taken up by a group of public-minded citizens. It is encouraging to note the awakening of social responsibility which is accompanied by action. It is hoped, that in all our cities similar organizations will be formed, assisting in improving the health of our population, by fighting against this nest where hatch practically all Venereal Diseases, namely: Prostitution.

The Educational Campaign will be thoroughly organized and energetically conducted. Our literature, edited with care, will be judiciously distributed; our lectures will be delivered by experienced and learned gentlemen; our films and slides will be of a high class, viewed from any angle; notices containing the locations of our dispensaries and instructions as how to guard against contagion will be posted in public places: railway stations, hotels, bars, saloons, barber shops, etc.

It will be a pleasure for us to assist athletic societies, benefit associations and all others which would care to co-operate in this movement.

Prisoners, and the inmates of insane hospitals, of industrial and reform schools, will also derive benefits from this Antivenereal Campaign. These will receive complete scientific treatment. In case they are liberated before they are cured, they will be under the supervision of the Inspector of the Superior Board of Health of the district where they reside.

Indeed, we are justified in holding the opinion that our organization will produce excellent results. We have not the presumption to think that it is perfect; as in all human work, it may be subject to improvement. Therefore, Gentlemen, we would ask you to help us improve our campaign. Your suggestions will be received with gratitude, and your demands and requests will meet with our immediate attention, because we desire to assist you in every possible way in this work, which is as much yours as it is